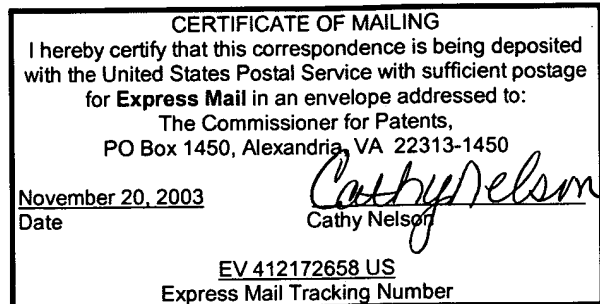




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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. '1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for the minimum extension of time necessary so that the accompanying response to Office Action is timely filed.

It is believed that an extension of three months is required. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,216 which includes the extension of time fee of \$950 as required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17. If this amount is incorrect however, please charge any fees or credit any overpayments under the foregoing rules to Deposit Account No. 07-1969.

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